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ANNEX B

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE

for processed animal protein intended for animal consumption and products, including mixtures, other than petfood in hermetically sealed containers, containing these proteins, intended for dispatch to the European Community from third countries listed in Annex A to Commission Decision 97/198/EC

Note for the importer:

This certificate is for veterinary purposes only and the original must accompany the consignment until it reaches the border inspection post.

Country of destination: _____

Reference number of the health certificate: _____

Exporting country: _____

Responsible ministry: _____

Certifying department: _____

I. Identification of the protein or product

Nature of the protein or product

Protein or product obtained from raw material of the following species:

Nature of packaging: _____

Number of packages: _____

Net weight: _____

II. Origin of protein product

Address and veterinary registration number of the approved establishment

III. Destination of protein or product

The protein or product will be sent from: _____

(place of loading)

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to: _____

(country and place of destination)

by the following means of transport: _____

Number of the seal ⁽¹⁾ _____

Name and address of consignor: _____

Name and address of consignee: _____

⁽¹⁾ Optional

IV. Attestation

The undersigned official veterinarian, certifies that;

(a) the protein or product described above contains exclusively or partially processed animal protein not intended for human consumption which has been processed in a plant registered and approved in accordance with Council Directive 90/667/EEC and Article 2 of Commission Decision 97/198/EC and has been heated:

- to at least 133 °C throughout its substance for a minimum of 20 minutes at pressure of 3 bars, with a particle size prior to processing of not more than 5 cm⁽¹⁾m or

- in case of non-mammalian protein, according to the system laid down in Chapter ____ of Commission Decision 92/562/EEC ⁽¹⁾m and

the random sample complies with the following standards ⁽²⁾:

- clostridium perfringens: absence in 1 g⁽³⁾

- salmonella absence in 25g, n = 5, c- 0, m = 0, M= 0⁽⁴⁾;

- enterobacteriaceae: n=5, c - 2, m - 10, M - 3 x 10⁽²⁾ in 1 g⁽⁴⁾;

(b) a random sample of the end product was examined immediately prior to dispatch by a competent authority and found to comply with the following standard⁽²⁾:

Salmonella absence in 25g, n = 5, c= 0, m = 0, M = 0;

(c) the protein or product described above:

- was produced by using ruminant protein⁽¹⁾;

- was produced without using ruminant protein⁽¹⁾;

(d) the end product:

- was packed in new packaging material, or

- in case of dispatch as bulk transport, containers or any other means of transport were thoroughly cleaned and disinfected with a disinfectant approved by the competent authority before use⁽¹⁾;

(e) the end product was stored in enclosed storage;

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(f) the end product has undergone all precautions to avoid recontamination with pathogenic agents after heat treatment.

Done at _____, on _____
(place) (date)

Stamp⁽⁵⁾

(signature of the official veterinarian)⁽⁵⁾

(name in capital letters, qualifications and title)

(¹) Delete as appropriate

(²) Where:

n - number of units comprising the sample;

m = threshold value for the number of bacteria; the result is satisfactory if the number of bacteria in all sample units does not exceed m;

M = maximum value for the number bacteria; the result is considered unsatisfactory if the number of bacteria in one or more sample units is M or more.

c - number of sample units for the bacterial count of which may be between m and M, the sample still being considered acceptable if the bacterial count of the other sample units is m or less.

(³) sample taken after treatment

(⁴) sample taken during storage at processing plant

(⁵) the signature and the stamp must be in a color different to that of the printing